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In re U.S. Patent Application)	
YASUDA et al.)	
Application 10/083,338)	Art Unit 1631
Filed: February 27, 2002)	Examiner Mahatan, Channing
For: METHOD AND DEVICE F NUCLEIC ACID BASE SEC	•	
Attorney Docket No. HIRA.00)	

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

COVER LETTER

Sir:

[x] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

For	TOTAL WITH NEW CLAIMS ADDED	TOTAL CURRENTLY ON FILE	CLAIMS ALREADY PAID	RATE	CALCULATION
Total Claims	14	14	(Over 20)	x \$50	0
Independent Claims	3	3	(Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
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In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

[x]	Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.312 (with claim amendments)	Ī	Petition for Extension of Time month English translation of priority document
	Preliminary Amendment Substitute Specification	~] Letter to Draftsman w/ page of drawings] Assignment

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.312

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Allowability dated November 25, 2005, in the above identified application, with the issue fee due on February 27, 2006. Please amend the above identified application as follows: